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SUBJECT: PRG REPRESENTATION AT GENEVA LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE

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1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY DFA AMBASSADOR YANGO THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO GOP DEL GENEVA ON SUBJECT PRG REPRESENTATION AT LAW OF WAR CONFERENCE. YANGO STATES THAT THESE INSTRUCTIONS SHOULD BE SATISFACTORY US VIEWS ON PRG QUESTION THOUGH LESS SO ON QUESTION AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS.

2. FROM OTHER SOURCES, EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS FOOLLOWING MAY BE CONTENT OF GOP INSTRUCTIONS. IF PRG QUESTION ARISES IN ISOLATION, GOP DEL IS TO VOTE AGAINST PARTICIPATION PRG IN CONFERENCE; IF QUESTION OF PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCE BY LIBERATION MOVEMENTS GENERALLY IS DEALT WITH AS PACKAGE, GOP DEL WILL VOTE YES ON SUCH PARTICIPATION. YES VOTE, HOWEVER, WILL BE SUBJECT TO PROVISIO

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THAT LIBERATION MOVEMENT IN QUESTION BE SPONSORED BY
INTERNATION ORGANIZATION FROM AREA IN WHICH LIBERATION
MOVEMENT ACTIVE SUCH AS ASEAN IN ASIA.

3. COMMENT: IN PRAGMATIC TERMS, THESE INSTRUCTIONS WOULD
PROBABLY ACHIEVE GOP DESIRE OF BARRING PRG WITHOUT UNDULY
ANNOYING AFRICA-ARAB STATES SINCE OAU-SPONSORED MOVEMENTS
WOULD BE ADMITTED. RECENT SEVERE OUTBREAK OF MUSLIM-CHRISTIAN
CONFLICT IN POLO WITH PROBABLE REVERBERATIONS IN MUSLIM
DELIBERATIONS AT LAHORE WILL MAKE GOP EVEN LESS LIKELY
OPPOSE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. THUS, WHILE EMBASSY
EXPECTS GOP TO OPPOSE PRG PARTICIPATION, SUCH INSTRUCTIONS,
IF CORRECTLY REPORTED, WOULD MAKE IT UNLIKELY GOP DEL
WILL TAKE LEAD IN LOBBYING AGAINST PRG. EMBASSY WILL CON-
TINUE FOLLOW UP AND REPORT AS FURTHER INFO AVAILABLE.
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